



County Administrative Office Governmental & Legislative Affairs

Josh Candelaria Director

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The Honorable Bob Wieckowski California State Senate State Capitol Sacramento, CA 95818

Re: SB 1170 – (Wieckowski) – As Amended on April 6, 2016 - OPPOSE

Dear Senator Wieckowski:

The County of San Bernardino must regrettably oppose SB 1170, legislation that would prohibit a public entity from delegating to a contractor the development of Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plans (SWPPPs) on a public works project.

As you are aware, SWPPPs must be written, amended and certified by qualified personnel who are knowledgeable in the principles and practice of erosion and sediment controls and possess the skills necessary to assess conditions at the construction site that could impact stormwater quality. Public agencies rely on the expertise of qualified SWPPP developers to conduct this work as most agencies do not have the resources nor the regular workload required to employ such personnel throughout the year. SB 1170 would add significant new cost and inefficiencies to a current process that benefits our residents.

For the above reasons, the County of San Bernardino respectfully opposes SB 1170. If you have any questions regarding the County's position, please do not hesitate to contact Josh Candelaria, Director of Governmental Affairs at (909) 387-4821 or jcandelaria@sbcounty.gov.

Sincerely,

JAMES RAMOS

Board of Supervisors Chairman

Third District Supervisor

County of San Bernardino

c: San Bernardino County Legislative Delegation